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All communications to go into print in THE INTELLIGENCER must be signed.

It is estimated that 7,000,000 men have been killed in the war thus far. All of which is the result of one man's ambition and the lust of world-domination by Germany.

A Little Trip to Missouri.

From The New York Times.

Leave the heaven-bussing towers of Manhattan far behind. Come and take a peep at a bit of country not quite so thickly settled. Good American country. Chilhowee, Johnson County, Western Missouri. Lafayette is north of Johnson, Henry is south, Jackson and Cass are west. They are worthy of their names. The farmers of Henry and Johnson have raised a hundred foot flag pole and a mighty flag "to show the world that" Chilhowee "unreservedly indorses President Wilson's policies in the present crisis."

These farmers are not content with raising flags. They are bound to raise all the food they can, to help feed the non-German world. The Chilhowee Blade, Don Wimmer's paper, takes us to a rally in the high school of the farmers of Consolidated School District No. 2. A telegram is sent to Mr. Wilson. "Nothing but the solid support of the country behind President Wilson's draft measure will protect the country." These resolutions are passed unanimously.

Whereas, The time has arrived when the farmers of the United States must choose between supplying the Allies with food so they can keep an efficient army in the field and keep the war in Europe, or allow the Allies to starve and we ourselves take over the brunt of the great world war with millions of our men in the trenches and the war transferred to American soil; therefore, be it resolved,

That we, the farmers of Consolidated District No. 2, in the County of Johnson, Missouri, do earnestly pledge our support, as individuals and as a group, to a country-wide organization which will help us to work together in producing and conserving an increased supply of food;

and, be it further resolved, That we, as individuals, pledge ourselves to give a small portion of our time in helping any of our neighbors who give their time in furthering the proposed county organization, so that they may take up this public service, knowing that their work at home will not suffer.

Patriotic, helpful, ready to cooperate, understanding just what is the best service they can do for the Allies and the United States, these Missouri farmers are good to hear. In Consolidated School District No. 2 we see, and are grateful for having the chance to see, one of hundreds of thousands of American communities whose patriotism is not mere froth of speech, but fruitful hard work. Johnson County, Missouri, is an exemplar and a spur.

The President has signed the War Army Bill and designated June 5, as the day for registration. All men between the ages of 21 and 31 must register.

General Funston.

A few weeks before his death, on February 19, at San Antonio, Tex., Maj-Gen. Frederick Funston had commanded the largest body of American soldiers that had been assembled under one officer since the Civil war. It is worthy of record, too, that he abundantly "made good" in that post, winning the respect of "regulars" and guardsmen alike. Funston was admirably adapted to the difficult task of "licking into shape" and officering the the American militiamen, and the rarer the material the better the little Kansan succeeded. The Twentieth Kansas, of Philippine fame, was trained by Funston into a model regiment, of unexcelled efficiency, and gave a brilliant account of itself in many engagements. Sometimes achievements of this sort are overshadowed by more spectacular deeds, like the capture of Aguinaldo, which made General Funston a popular hero before his return from the Philippines; but in these times it is well to remember that the commander who can make soldiers out of American boys from the farm and the workshop and the college is the man who will always be most useful to the army and the nation, irrespective of individual heroism. For that reason the loss of a general with Funston's tried capacity is a grievous one at this moment of crises.—Ex.

Notice.

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BOWS TO PRESIDENT'S ORDER

Men Who Volunteered to Go to War With Col. Roosevelt Released From Contract

Oyster Bay, N. Y., May 21.—Col. Theodore Roosevelt announced tonight that all men who had volunteered to serve with him under the American flag in France had been absolved from all further connection with the movement, and that the only course open to them now is to enter the military service in some other way if they are able to do so, and if not to serve the country in civil life.

"As good American citizens," said Colonel Roosevelt, in a formal statement, "we loyally obey the decision of the commander-in-chief of the American army and navy. The men who have volunteered will now consider themselves absolved from all further connection with this movement. The funds promised will be treated as withdrawn and applied to other purposes. I, therefore, direct that this statement be sent to the leaders in the various states who have been raising troops."

Colonel Roosevelt said that after conferences personally or by wire with some of the men who had volunteered to raise units, regiments and battalions, it had been decided unanimously that the only course open was to stand in view of the decision of President Wilson not to permit the organization of the division authorized by congress.

"Our sole aim," the statement continued, "is to help in every way in the successful prosecution of the war and we most heartily feel that no individual's personal interest should for a moment be considered save as it affects the general public interest."

"We rejoice that a division composed of our fine regular soldiers and marines, under so gallant and efficient a leader as General Pershing, is to be sent abroad. We have a right to a certain satisfaction in connection herewith."

The statement then quoted a newspaper report to the effect that the decision to send General Pershing was a compromise between the original plans of the general staff, which favored no early expedition, and the request of Colonel Roosevelt for authority for an immediate expedition. "Drawing the conclusion that France hereby will get American soldiers in the trenches at once, although Colonel Roosevelt will not lead them."

"It thus gives the explanation of the matter," Colonel Roosevelt added, "I gladly say we are all unselfishly pleased to have served this use, although we regret not to have been allowed ourselves to render active service."

BRITISH TRIBUTE TO DEWEY

British Navy Places Floral Wreath on His Tomb in Presence of U. S. Officials.

Washington, May 23.—The British navy paid tribute today to the memory of Admiral Dewey, when a floral wreath was placed on his tomb by Rear Admiral DeChair and Commander Lawford, the admiralty representatives with the British official mission.

The wreath was placed under instructions from London, both to commemorate the friendship between the two great fighting forces and to express the British navy's gratitude at the arrival of American destroyers in British waters. The wreath, laid in the presence of Admiral Benson and other American officers, bears the following inscription:

"A tribute to the undying memory of George Dewey, admiral of the United States navy, with respectful homage and esteem of the British navy."

Admiral Dewey probably was closer to the British navy than any other American naval officer because of the historic incident in Manila Bay when a German squadron behaved in a hostile manner and the British naval commander there gave unmistakable signs that he would support Admiral Dewey if necessary.

U-BOAT OFF MAINE COAST?

Naval Authorities Investigate Report That Periscope Was Sighted in Those Waters Recently.

Portland, Me., May 23.—It was officially made known today that the reported presence of a submarine off the Maine coast was being investigated by naval stations.

A patrol scrutiny of these waters was ordered following a report to the naval stations that a periscope was sighted late yesterday afternoon and that at 6 o'clock last night a submarine was seen running awash off Machias.

On the heels of these reports came the word today from three lobster fishermen that they had sighted from two different points what they believed to be a German submarine.

Mother and Children Burned. Middleport, O., May 21.—Six persons, Mrs. John Betzing and her five children, were burned to death in their home at Minersville, near here, late last night. Mr. Betzing was away from home on a fishing trip at the time of the fire.

"Ma" Sunday Out of Danger. New York, May 21.—Mrs. William A. Sunday, wife of the evangelist, who was operated on last night for appendicitis, now is out of danger and there is every reason to hope for a rapid recovery, it was announced tonight.

MISSOURI BAR IS PATRIOTIC

Speakers at Association Banquet in Kansas City Dwell on Present Great War Crisis.

The American flag flew the other night above the heads of 200 members of the Kansas City Bar Association, assembled at the Hotel Muehlebach for the annual dinner, and at which Major Ruby D. Garrett, U. S. A., was a guest. Alfred N. Gossett, president of the organization, officiated as toastmaster.

Patriotism was the ruling sentiment which found expression in the responses to the chair, and in the floral decorations, which consisted of American beauties, and white lilies, and foliage suggesting the colors of Old Glory, and in the flag festoons draped about the walls.

Tributes to the Stars and Stripes were many; expressions of loyalty and voicing the confidence of the nation in ultimate victory were made by every speaker—Americanism was the keynote.

In introducing the men who responded to the toasts, Mr. Gossett made frequent reference to the present conflict and the entrance of the United States into the world war.

"Do you realize what that flag means?" he said, pointing to the emblem. "Your security and your present peacefulness depend upon that flag. It is the flag of the greatest nation, and, as such, it stands for all the little nations of the earth."

Major Ruby D. Garrett invested the term "war brides" with a new meaning.

The subject of his toast appeared upon the program as "War Brides, or the First Half Million Men." He acknowledged that the subject had been selected at random, as being expedient at the moment. And then he told of the origination of the phrase, "war brides," which had its inception in England, when many men married, after enlisting, at the outbreak of the war.

"Now, we may associate that term with those microbes who seek marriage as a means of avoiding military service," he said, indicating that the war bride of today was the woman who married a "slacker."

He explained the various branches of army service and by subtle comparisons illustrated the dependency of each upon the other, emphasizing the continuity of the whole into the modern fighting machine.

ELECT NEW G. A. R. OFFICERS

State Encampment Closes Session at Springfield After Choosing St. Joseph Man as Commander.

The thirty-sixth annual encampment of the Missouri department of the Grand Army of the Republic closed recently at Springfield with the election of officers as follows: Thomas W. Evans, St. Joseph, commander; O. H. Giffin, Kansas City, senior vice commander; P. W. Bahl, Springfield, junior vice commander; W. H. Smith, Springfield, medical director; Ray W. K. Collins, Lees Summit, chaplain.

The department adopted a resolution offered by Hassendeubel Post of St. Louis, all Germans, indorsing the action of the president and congress in entering the world war on behalf of democracy and humanity.

Officers of the Missouri department of the women's relief corps were elected as follows:

Mrs. Alice Mae Armstrong, Kansas City, president; Mrs. Rhoda Vogel, St. Louis, general vice president; Mrs. Minnie Moon, Springfield, junior vice president; Mrs. Mary E. Whetstone, St. Louis, treasurer.

New Signal Corps Companies.

Orders have been received at St. Louis to recruit for the army signal corps two motor truck companies, two wagon companies, one pack train company and one bakery company.

A \$5,000 Fire at Sedalia.

Fire burned the two-story office of the Mathis Stock Car Company, in the Missouri, Kansas & Texas yards at Sedalia and partly burned three box cars filled with tools and paints. The loss is about \$5,000.

Mothers 105 and 100 Met.

Two mothers, one 105 years old and the other 100 years old, met Sunday in Grace Episcopal Church in Springfield, and congratulated each other on having passed the century mark. The meeting was arranged by Dr. W. R. McCormack, formerly of Kansas City. The women were Mrs. Nancy Haynes Brewer and Mrs. Ursley Gibson. The grandfather of Mrs. Brewer was Jos. Haynes, a minister ordained by John Wesley.

Long Missing Sedalia Man Dead.

W. A. Morrill, paymaster for the M. K. & T. at Sedalia forty years ago, who disappeared from Sedalia in 1880, died May 4 at Trinidad, Col., under the name of William Littlefield. J. West Goodwin received the news here the other day.

Denied New Trial.

A new trial has been denied to Mildred Rowden, convicted of perjury before the grand jury in connection with the dynamiting of a street car. An appeal to the supreme court was granted.

Lambas Sell for \$19 Per 100 Lbs.

Two cars of western fed lambs sold on the St. Joseph market the other day for \$19 per cwt., the highest price of record ever paid in this country. The shipment was from Las Animas, Colo.

Mrs. Anna Higgins returned to Higginsville Wednesday after a visit here with her daughters, Mrs. I. H. Noyes and Mrs. J. F. Forster.

Mrs. D. A. Staley and son, Armour, who have been visiting Miss Carrie Loomis, returned Wednesday to their home near Mayview.

Mr. and Mrs. John Price went to Kansas City Wednesday to spend the day.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

Capt. F. A. Day went to Kansas City Wednesday on business.

Important Announcement!

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